

# Romanticism Literature Essay

Choose two literature pieces to analyze the characteristics of Romanticism

Carefully read the literary pieces then synthesize the readings and incorporate it into a well-developed essay that identifies **at least Four** key characteristics associated with Romanticism. Make sure that your argument is central; use the literature to illustrate and support your reasoning. Avoid merely summarizing the sources.

- Develop a thesis
- Choose at least 2 sources from the list of readings
- Analyze the sources for Four Romantic Characteristics
- *Focus on the ideas, not the individual sources* (your response should not sound like a list of information from various sources)
- It is highly recommended that you use direct quotes when referring to your sources, but make sure you integrate your quotes into the paper smoothly and include a lead in for every quote along with parenthetical citation.

With the characteristics you choose, consider literary elements in your discussion: diction, mood, imagery, symbolism, allegory

Required:

- Graphic organizer: we will complete this in class
- Final copy:
  - Minimum 3 paragraphs
  - MLA, works cited, claim, 3 sources/parenthetical citations
  - Formal, objective, 3<sup>rd</sup> person
- Turnitin.com
- In class writing
- Computer lab: Wednesday & Friday
- Due: Friday, November 16th

Literature Choices choose 2 different authors

Literature sources (choose different authors):

- "Rip Van Winkle"
- "The Devil and Tom Walker"
- "The Fall of the House of Usher"
- "The Scarlet Letter" excerpts
- "The Minister's Black Veil"

Additional sources if necessary (choose different author):

- "The Raven"
- "The First Snowfall"
- "Thanatopsis"
- "Paul Revere's Ride"
- "The Chambered Nautilus"
- "The Cross of Snow"

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